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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-92 without prejudice to subsequent revival.

Please add new claims 93-112 as follows.

93. An isolated protein comprising a HER-2/neu extracellular domain fused to a HER-2/neu phosphorylation domain, wherein the protein has a sequence at least 80% identical to the sequence of SEQ ID NO:6, or wherein the protein comprises a sequence at least 80% identical to the sequence of SEQ ID NO:3 fused to a sequence at least 80% identical to the sequence of SEQ ID NO:4, and wherein the protein is capable of producing an immune response in a warm-blooded animal.

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